

International School of Kigali

2013-2014 Fact Sheet



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The **International School of Kigali (ISK)** is a non-profit parent owned, independent, coeducational day school from prekindergarten through 12th grade. The School was established in 2009 and its mission is to provide a nonsectarian education to the children of diplomats, businesses and international development groups that prepare these children as global citizens and leaders.

Organization: The School is governed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is elected by the parents of the School community and also has one representative each from the faculty and the PTO.

Curriculum: ISK offers an international curriculum based on the AERO benchmarks and standards which are closely aligned with the American Common Core standards. This year we are implementing the Advanced Placement program in our high school. The curriculum is supplemented to meet the needs of its international student body. Preschool is a blend of social and academic development. Both PK and kindergarten are based on the Montessori method of teaching. Grades 1-5 are self-contained classrooms. Grades 6-8 are divided between science/math and English/social studies. Grades 9-12 are based on a high school philosophy with separate teachers in each academic area. All students in K-12 study French, art, music and physical education as well as various elective subjects. ISK is accredited by the Council of International Schools and is seeking accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Faculty: In the 2013-2014 academic year, there are 29 full-time faculty and 2 classroom assistants representing over 11 different nationalities. The student/teacher ratio is 7.6 to 1.

Enrollment: At the beginning of the 2013-2014 academic year enrollment was at 154 students.

Facilities: The School is located in the center of Kigali in one of the main residential areas. It is currently composed of classrooms converted from townhouses and residential dwellings. The playing field is a large vacant area adjacent to the two main residential buildings. Because classroom space is limited, class size is kept small. Plans are currently underway to acquire land and to build a purpose built building allowing the School to accommodate its rapidly expanding population. The School has a dedicated line for the internet and is completely networked.

Finances: In the 2013-2014 school year, the majority of the School's income has been generated from tuition and fees. The current, annual tuition rates are as follows: PK (half-day): \$6,000, PK (full-day): \$11,000, grades 1-5: \$14,000, grades 6-8: \$15,000 and grades 9-12: \$14,700. Students are also charged an application fee of \$50 and a registration fee of \$200 and a materials fee of \$500. A nonrefundable deposit of \$1000 (deducted from the tuition) is expected at the time of registration. A deduction is given for parents who are self-paying. (All fees are quoted in U.S. dollars.)

This Fact Sheet is intended to provide general information. Prospective users of the Schools may wish to inquire further of A/OPR/OS or contact the School directly for more specific and up-to-the-minute information regarding curriculum, special programs, and the like. Information and statistics are current as of September 2013 and are provided by the School.